



Pray for

ALYSSA ANDERS
ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) TEACHER
SERVING IN RUSSIA



Alyssa Anders currently serves in St. Petersburg, Russia, working with the LCMS partner church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ingria in Russia. During the Soviet era, the Ingrian Church experienced persecution and many church activities were suppressed or shut down. Now parishes are slowly being re-founded and churches are opening their doors. A lot of work still needs to be done to help build congregations and train church workers, and Russian Lutherans need support from their brothers and sisters in Christ around the globe.

Trained as an English teacher, Alyssa assists the work of the church by equipping the ministers, workers and members of this church body with English language skills. Although we often take English for granted, for Russians, it opens a door to a larger community and more opportunities, helping the church to be less isolated. Alyssa also helps with various youth and children's programs, as well as English Bible camps in Europe.

Alyssa was raised in Westland, Mich., just outside of Detroit. Her home congregation, Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, is nearby in Livonia, Mich. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in history from Thomas Edison State College, Trenton, N.J., and a master's degree in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) from Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. She has been involved with teaching English as a Second Language for about 10 years, and her interest in serving others through teaching has taken her around the world. In addition to teaching, she enjoys curling up with a good book, studying languages (Russian currently), learning about Russian history and culture and exploring new places.

Pray for Alyssa as she serves in Russia. Ask God to help her adjust to the Russian culture and give her the ability to learn the Russian language. Pray that God would make her bold to proclaim the Gospel and give her opportunities to serve and build up the Church. Also, pray for the Ingrian Lutheran Church, that God would continue to send workers into this field and that those who are already serving would be strengthened and encouraged in their callings. Let us give thanks for Alyssa and all those who are serving in this part of the world.

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